

# Jordanelle will be perfect for mini-vacation

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*Editor's Note: This is the second of a two-part series about Jordanelle State Park, a new recreation area which opens June 30.*

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**HEBER CITY** — If you're the kind of person who enjoys the outdoors but wants a different kind of experience, Jordanelle State Park has all the amenities for a mini-vacation.

"Jordanelle is a multi-purpose, functional park," said Steve Carpenter, its manager. "We have three different types of camping, ranging from RV camping to walking in areas at Hailstone and Rock Cliff. We have some amenities you won't see in any other state park such as a camper service center and a elaborate restroom facility with showers and a laundromat."

The park will open June 30. According to Carpenter, the overall experience for visitors is not limited to just the campgrounds.

He said the Hailstone recreation area will attract the most attention.

"We also have three very nice developed children's play areas. In addition, we have an outdoor amphitheatre, a beautiful visitor's

center with interpretive displays and a marina restaurant at Hailstone."

Carpenter said Hailstone is the most intensely developed at Jordanelle.

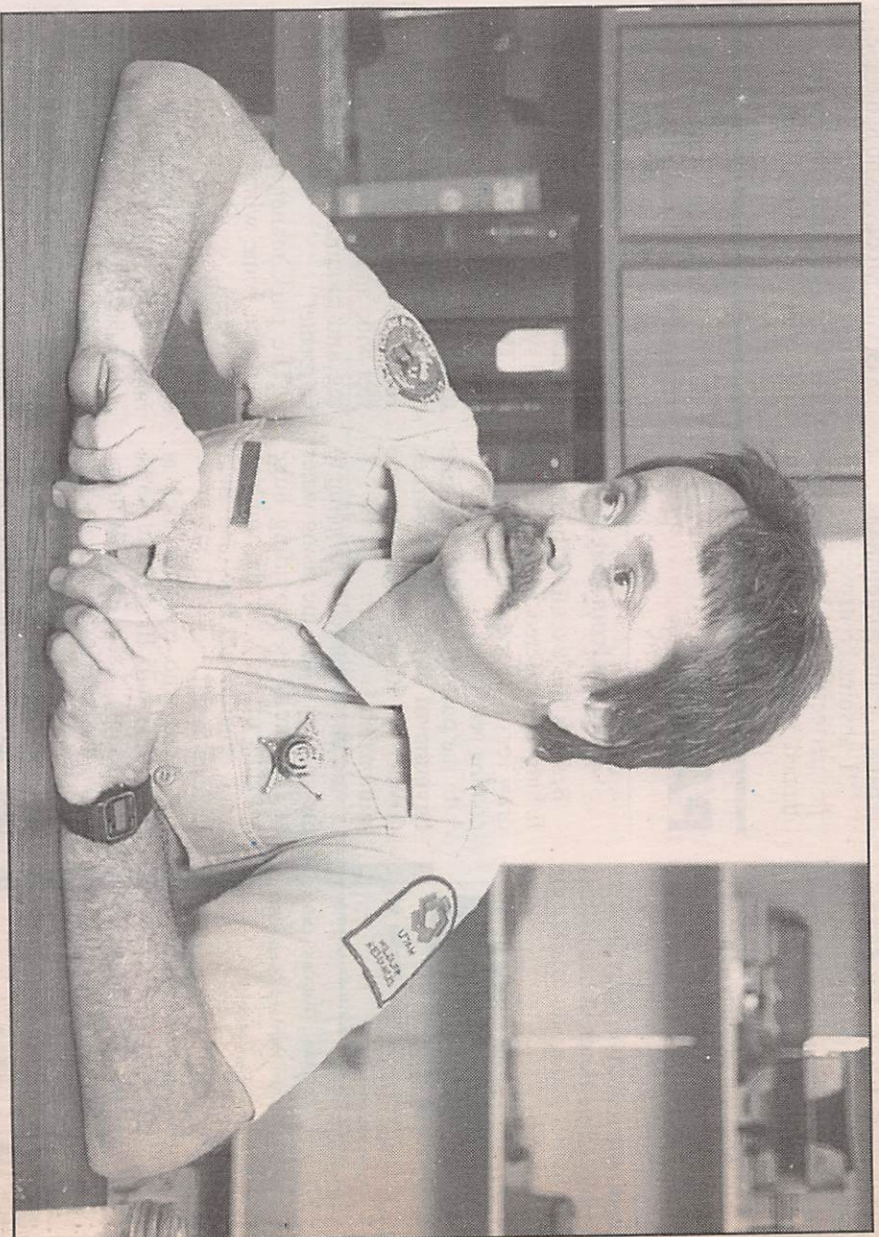
"At this area we have 185 units of camping, three large group pavilions, beach areas [imported sand] with a beach house that has showers, locker rooms and concession operations."

Carpenter said there are two separate boat launching facilities at Hailstone.

"There is a ramp for personal watercraft [jet skis]. This has its own parking area. At the main marina, we have the largest ramp in the entire state parks system. It's 110 feet wide and 1,100 feet long. There is also fuel-pumping capability here, both mixed and non-mixed."

Carpenter said the popularity of boating became evident when Hailstone's boat slips were put up for rent.

"We have an 80-slip marina which is already full. We had over 800 applications. There has been no lack of interest in our marina. There is also dry boat storage that is also spoken for."



Roger Wilson, a Division of Wildlife Resources fisheries biologist and Strawberry Project leader, says sportsmen will have some great fishing in

the coming years at Jordanelle. He said the variety of stocked fish include rainbows, Bear Lake cutthroat and smallmouth bass.

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• **Brian Raabe** went 4-5 with a triple and a double and scored three runs as the Salt Lake Buzz defeated Tucson 9-4 in Pacific Coast League baseball Friday night. The Buzz batted around in the first inning and scored five runs on six hits off of Tucson starter and loser Chris Holt (0-3). Salt Lake starter **Oscar Munoz** (6-4) picked up the win by pitching seven no-hit innings, striking out six and walking two before Toros leadoff batter Dave Hajek singled in the eighth and scored on Jerry Goff's double. Chris Hatcher then hit his sixth homer of the year to make the score 9-3.

## On the air

### Saturday

- 10 a.m. Soccer, U.S. Cup: Mexico vs. Nigeria (ESPN)
- 11:30 a.m. Bowling (PSP)
- Noon, Senior PGA, Nationwide Championship (ESPN)
- 12:30 p.m. Ironman Triathlon (NBC Channel 2)
- 2 p.m. PGA, Greater Hartford Open (CBS Channel 5)
- 2 p.m. Extreme Games (ESPN)
- 2 p.m. Squash (PSP)
- 2 p.m. Rodeo (TNN)
- 2:30 p.m. Wide World of Sports, gymnastics, mountain biking (ABC Channel 4)
- 3 p.m. Volleyball (NBC)
- 3 p.m. Auto racing (ESPN)
- 3 p.m. Baseball, Silver Bullets vs. Osgood Macs (PSP)
- 5:05 p.m. Baseball, Mets at Braves (TBS)
- 5:30 p.m. Utah Summer Games (KUTV Channel 2)
- 6 p.m. Stanley Cup Championship (KSTU Channel 13)
- 6 p.m. Auto racing (ESPN)
- 6 p.m. Baseball, Cubs at Astros (WGN)
- 8 p.m. Drag racing (ESPN)
- 8 p.m. Harness racing (PSP)
- 11 p.m. Hydroplane racing (ESPN)

feet.

"I'm actually playing better than I have for a year," Beman said. "I've been short and wild. That's a deadly combination."

"I absolutely drove the ball just perfect," said Laoretti, who tapped in short birdie putts on

feet. "If you can play this golf course without making a bogey, that's a pretty good accomplishment," Laoretti said.

Orville Moody, who had triple bypass heart surgery last December, was alone at 67. He called it the "first decent round I've had

Mike Joyce.

Three-time U.S. Open champion Hale Irwin, appearing in his second senior event, shot 70 along with Jim Colbert, a three-time winner this year.

Defending champion Dave Stockton struggled to a 75.

As a testament to their hopes, the front table at Ricky's is decked with Raider paraphernalia and carries a sign, "Reserved for Al Davis."

Davis turned his back on an NFL-backed proposal calling for construction by 1997 of a \$250 million stadium at Hollywood Park

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The park manager said there could be some winter use of the trail system.

"We hope to have some cross country skiing if conditions warrant," added Carpenter.

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grams. School districts are using Rock Cliff very extensively. Just last month, we hosted over 700 children there alone. Rock Cliff is in a very beautiful wooded setting, right along the Provo River. We think this is one of the unique settings in our state park system," said Carpenter.

Rock Cliff also has a 50-unit walk-in campground (with hot and cold showers), two group pavilions and provides fishing access to the upper Provo River.

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some people are concerned they won't be able to get in. Our new policy this year is to set a limit of 300 boats to be on the lake at any one time. We have found that throughout our parks system that, all of our lakes and reservoirs are being heavily impacted, especially those close to the metropolitan areas."

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Carpenter said the crowds that will frequent Jordanelle will come from all across the Wasatch Front.

"We're about evenly divided between Provo and Salt Lake City. We are also expecting some traffic from the Ogden area, too."

Carpenter said the opening weekend should be hectic.

"When we opened for reservations [campground units] we filled the weekend slots very rapidly. A lot of people have the misconception that we are filled for the whole summer. After that initial weekend, we have sites available for the rest of the summer."

The entire Jordanelle State park complex was funded through federal dollars but will be operated by the state. This has enabled the park to be fully accessible to persons with disabilities.

For campground reservations, there are two numbers to call, 1-800-322-3770 (outside Salt Lake valley) or 322-3770.